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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : DAVID THOMAS DUDLEY, ET AL. EXAMINER : SAN MING R HUI
SERIAL NO : 09/868,120 ART UNIT : 1617
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FOR : TREATMENT OF ARTHRITIS WITH MEK INHIBITORS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

November 8, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed June 7, 2004, please amend the above-captioned application as follows. A two-month extension of time is also requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 20 of this paper.